



EXTREME PLACES



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Warm up



Part A: Watch a short video showing the most extreme places on Earth. Put the countries in the order you see them.

- ___ Mali
- ___ the Vatican
- ___ Russia
- ___ Canada
- ___ Switzerland
- ___ India

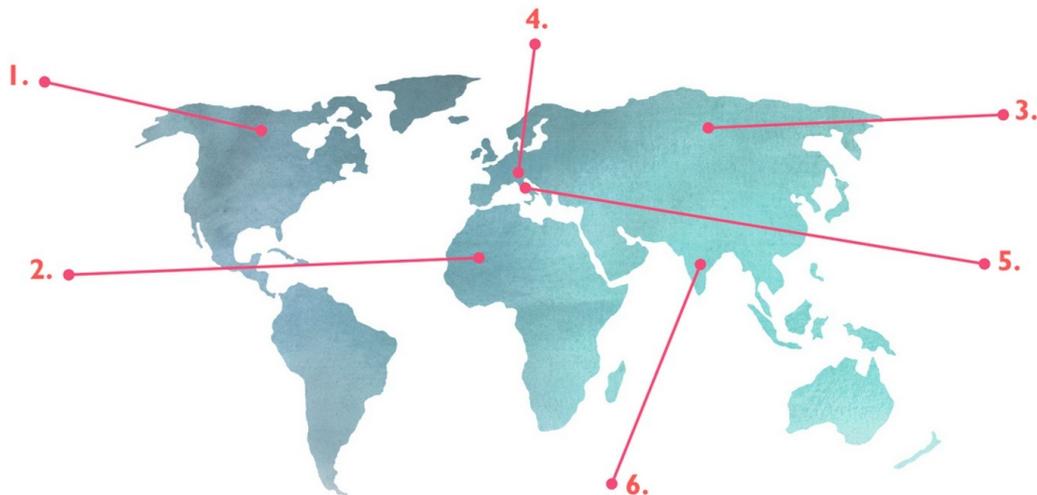




Part B: Where in the world? Complete the gaps with a country from the list in Part A. Then place the country on the map below.

- Canada India Mali Russia Switzerland The Vatican**

1. _____ is one of the coldest countries in the world in terms of average temperature. The lowest temperature recorded was -63.°C in 1947.
2. _____ is one of the hottest countries in the world. Located in West Africa, this country has an average yearly temperature of around 28°C.
3. _____ is the largest country in the world. It covers 17,098, 242 km², and stretches across two continents.
4. _____ has a high cost of living and a strong currency making it one of the most expensive countries in the world.
5. _____, in Europe, is the smallest country in the world with a 0.49 km² area in total.
6. _____ is the most populated country in the world and makes up almost 18% of the total world population.





2 Listening



Part A: Look at the three extreme inhabited places on Earth. Where do you think they are? What can you see in the pictures? Discuss with your partner and match the countries to the correct pictures.

Paraguay / Russia / Azores islands / Canada / Tristan da Cunha islands / Peru



a. _____



b. _____



c. _____

Now listen to the descriptions and put the pictures a-c in the order you hear them.



Part B: Listen to the descriptions again and decide if the sentences are true or false. Give explanations for your answers.

1. La Rinconada is a clean town. _____
2. People in La Rinconada have health issues. _____
3. There are five hundred people living on the island of Tristan da Cunha. _____
4. Tristan da Cunha is close to Cape Town, South Africa. _____
5. You can fly to Tristan da Cunha. _____
6. There are only three hours of daytime in Oymyakon each day. _____

Which place do you think would be the most extreme to live in? Why?



3 Focus on language - superlatives

Part A: Complete the table below with the correct superlative form.

adjective	comparative	superlative
cold	colder	<i>the coldest</i>
high	higher	1
hot	hotter	2
large	larger	3
small	smaller	4
expensive	more expensive	<i>the most expensive</i>
populated	more populated	5
isolated	more isolated	6

Part B: First, read the reference table below. Then decide if the sentences 1-5 about superlatives are true or false.

1. With one-syllable adjectives, we usually add *the + er*.
2. If an adjective ends in *-e*, we add *-st*.
3. If an adjective ends in a vowel and a consonant, we usually **double** the consonant.
4. If a two-syllable adjective ends in a consonant and *-y*, we change *-y* to *-i* and add *-est*.
5. We add *(the) + more* to make superlative forms for most other two-syllable adjectives and adjectives with three or more syllables.





Reference table

basic form	superlative form
one-syllable word	add -est : fast → fastest , slow → slowest when an adjective ends in one vowel + one consonant, we double the consonant: big → biggest , hot → hottest
one-syllable word ending in consonant + y	y → iest : heavy → heaviest , early → earliest
two or more syllables	use the most : dangerous → the most dangerous, intelligent → the most intelligent
irregular	good → the best , bad → the worst , far → the furthest

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Practice

Complete the questions below. Then, in pairs, answer the questions about your country.

1. What is (hot) city?

2. What is (famous) landmark?

3. Where is (isolated) town?

4. What is (big) city?

5. Where is (bad) place to live? Why?

6. What is the (good) place to visit? Why?



5 Speaking

Make notes about yourself using the prompts. Then ask the questions to your partner.

Example: *What is the most expensive hotel you have ever stayed in?*

	You	Partner 1	Partner 2
the most expensive hotel you have ever stayed in			
the hottest place you have ever been to			
the most impressive building you have seen			
the strangest place you have visited			
the liveliest place to visit in your town or city			
the most impressive landmark you have seen			
the tallest building you have seen			
the most beautiful park you have been to			

6 Optional extension: game

Play the game and change the adjective to the superlative form as quickly as possible. Read the steps below and play the game together in two groups.

1. Stand in two lines in front of the board.
2. Your teacher reads out an adjective or comparative form.
3. Two students from each group then race to write the superlative form on the board.
4. The first team to write it accurately gets the point.

